



30 May 2025



# RTW monsoon NEWSLETTER

Please do take the time to read the whole newsletter so that you don't miss any important notices relevant to your swimmer - especially training time changes highlighted in **RED**

Deadlines Approaching:

Tonbridge SC Summer Holiday  
Swimming Festival

01 June 2025



## DATE FOR DIARIES

Save the date: Friday 12th September 2025

Monson Annual Awards Night, Masonic Hall, St Johns Road, Tunbridge Wells

More details to follow



## European Aquatics Junior Swimming Championships **TEAM** (FEMALE)

Amelie **BLOCKSIDGE**  
Hannah **CAPRON**  
Jasmine **CARTER**  
Skye **CARTER**  
Phoebe **COOPER**  
Annabelle **COMPTON**  
Blythe **KINSMAN**  
Isobel **LIPROT**  
Imogen **MYLES**  
Mathilda **POTTER**  
Edith **PRICE**  
Abbie **ROSCOE**  
Amalie **SMITH**  
Theodora **TAYLOR**  
Hollie **WILSON**  
Emma **WOOD**



## European Aquatics Junior Swimming Championships **TEAM** (MALE)

Hayden **ANNAN**  
Jack **BROWN**  
Jake **CHESWORTH**  
Rio **DAODU**  
Dean **FEARN**  
Toby **GODSELL**  
Joshua **INGLIS**  
Harry **MILNE**  
Filip **NOWACKI**  
Llewelyn **PORTER**  
Daniel **RANSOME**  
Gabriel **SHEPHERD**





## Kent County Records

We have a few Kent County records to report

Kent records are often revised as swimmers across the county achieve new records. These are up to February 2025. We know more records have been broken since then. Congratulations to Amalie, Aran, Callie-Ann, Chengze, Hayden and Jemima

If you want to look at Kent records follow this link

[Swimming Records | Kent County Amateur Swimming Association](#)

If your swimmer achieves a record, be sure to claim it within 28 days of the date the record achieved.

### **Amalie Smith**

Long course

200 IM open and junior

400IM open and junior

200 Breaststroke junior

100 Breaststroke junior

### **Amalie Smith**

Short course

100 IM open and junior

200 IM open and junior

400 IM open and junior

50 Backstroke junior

100 Backstroke junior

200 Backstroke junior

### **Aran Bissett**

Short Course

100 IM open/men

200 IM open/men

### **Callie-Ann Warrington**

Long Course

100 Freestyle S10

50 Fly S10

50 Freestyle S10

400 Freestyle S10

100 Fly S10

### **Chengze Duan**

Long Course

100 Fly open/boys

### **Hayden Annan**

Short Course

200 Freestyle open/men

800 Freestyle open/men

### **Jemima Rudd-Jones**

Long course

100 Freestyle S14

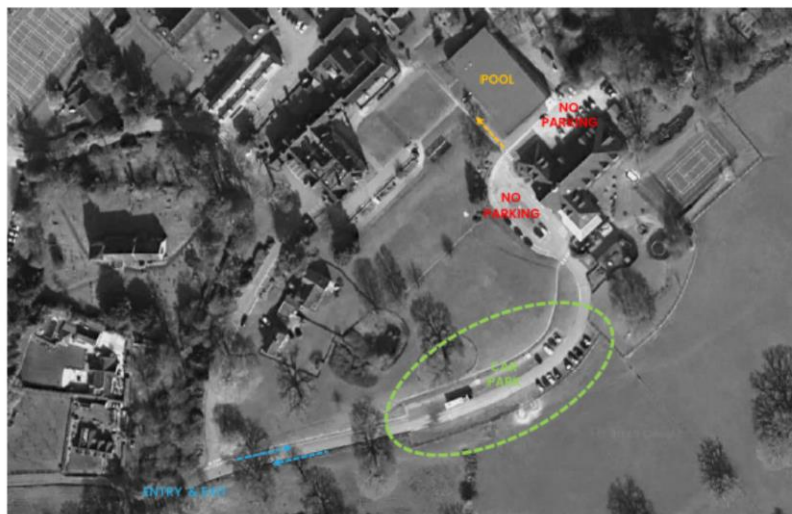
## PARKING AND RULES AT KENT COLLEGE

Please find below an update regarding parking and our use of the Kent College site whilst our squad and swim school lessons take place

### KENT COLLEGE

#### FOR SWIM SCHOOL LESSONS AND SQUAD SESSIONS THAT TAKE PLACE MONDAY TO FRIDAY

- Please park in the main car park as you enter the school grounds near the field.
- As indicated, swim school, squad members, coaching and teaching staff are NOT allowed to park around the school roundabout or in the gravel car park to the rear of the school building closest to the pool whilst their lessons or squad sessions take place.
- Swimmers should walk up the short slope from the car park to the pool building.

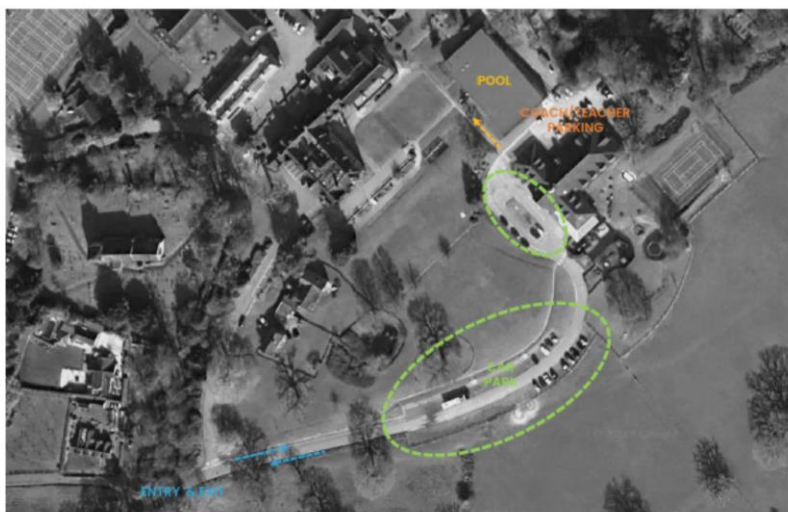


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### KENT COLLEGE

#### FOR SWIM SCHOOL LESSONS AND SQUAD SESSIONS THAT TAKE PLACE AT THE WEEKENDS

- Please park in the main car park as you enter the school grounds near the field.
- The school roundabout may also be used for parking.
- Swim school and squad members are NOT allowed to park in the gravel car park to the rear of the school building closest to the pool whilst their lessons or squad sessions take place.
- Coaching and teaching staff are allowed to park in the gravel car park to the rear of the school building closest to the pool.
- If parking in the main car park, swimmers should walk up the short slope from this to the pool building.



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## GENERAL : KENT COLLEGE SITE

As Kent College is a boarding school all our swim school and squad members should also comply with the following rules whilst on-site.

- Please do not use any of the facilities, including the swings outside the pool.
- Please do not walk around the school site unless sticking to the public footpaths.

## DOGS : KENT COLLEGE SITE

Whilst dogs are permitted on the school site, this should only be if you need to take them somewhere whilst waiting for a squad session or swimming lesson to conclude. Please do not use the school site as a parking area before heading off on a long walk with them.

Please also note the following :

- Dogs are not allowed in any pool building.
- They should be kept on a lead at all times.
- Please always clean up after your dog.
- Please only walk on public footpaths and not around the school site with them. The closest footpath is in the bottom field next to the main car parking area.

Thank you for your co-operation



## Kent Swimming – Job Opportunities

Kent Swimming is looking to appoint two individuals to two newly-created remunerated positions

### Position 1: Administration Manager

This position offers approximately eight hours per week encompassing administrative support for various members of the Management Team, including but not limited to the Chair, Secretary, Masters Manager, Competitive Swimming Manager and Artistic Swimming Manager. The position is self-employed and allows for home working.

The KCASA Management Team meets four times a year and attendance at these meetings forms part of the role. Your attendance would also be required at the Annual Council Meeting, usually held in September.

### Position 2: Events Manager

This position offers approximately ten weeks of work per year (35 hours per week) and ultimately leads to being the Meet Promoter for various KCASA Championship events including: Masters, Competitive Swimming and Artistic Swimming.

The position is self-employed and allows for home working. In addition, the nature of the role does require attendance at the events falling under control of the position. The KCASA Management Team meets four times a year and attendance at these meetings forms part of the role. Your attendance would also be required at the Annual Council Meeting, usually held in September.

For further details and how to apply please use the following link: [Kent Swimming](#)





## South East Regional Open Water Championships

The Open Water Championships of both the Swim England London and Swim England South East provide the only opportunity for qualifying for the Swim England National Championships. In both cases, the top three swimmers (representing a club affiliated to the respective region) in each age-group/gender event will qualify.

This means that to have a chance of qualifying for the National event, members of Kent Rural clubs must swim in the South East event and members of Kent London clubs must swim in the London event.

And we're not just talking about Age Group swimmers, these are events for Masters too! Also, both regional events are open events so whether you belong to a Kent Rural or a Kent London club, you can enter either event for more competitive practice - or just for fun! Masters can also enter the national event on the same basis.

### Swim England South East Open Water Championships 2025

The South East Region Open Water Swimming Championship event is taking place at Mercers Park, South Nutfield, Redhill RH1 4EU on 29 June with full details available [here](#). Please note that the closing date for entries is Tuesday 17 June 2025.

### Swim England London Open Water Championships 2025

The London Region Open Water Swimming Championship event is taking place on 6 July 2025 at the Docklands Sailing and Watersports Centre, 235A Westferry Road, Docklands, London E14 3QS with full details available [here](#). Please note that the closing date for entries is 20 June 2025.

### Swim England Open Water National Championships 2025

These will be held on 26 July (Age Groups) and 27 July (Masters) at the Rother Valley Country Park, Mansfield Road, Sheffield, South Yorkshire S26 5PQ and full details are [here](#)

Merchandise for the South East Regional Open Water Championships is now available to purchase with a current ORDER WINDOW 1 (13th May - 22nd June) - Items will be sent to your home address in time for events on the 29th June 2025. Please use the following link: [SwimPath](#)



## Monson Club Kit

There have been lots of questions about kit of late especially since we have not been ordering from our core supplier for a while for numerous reasons.

We are currently in the process of doing a full kit review and looking to change supplier, so please bear with us. Our plan is to have new kit available to order from September for the new season.

We will not be changing massively. Instead it will be an evolution of where we are today. We are looking to streamline the design so we get maximum flexibility across core and competition kit, to reduce lead times and most importantly to ensure all kit is performance lead in fabric and style.

If your child does not have any Monson tops, please let [Lorna](#) know no later than **Fri 6th June** and we will order you a top from one of our suppliers that we use for tops when we need them urgently. They are cost effective at circa £15 each. The material is performance and quality is good. They are the tops many of the swimmers wear from nationals or arena league.

Thank you and thank you for your patience while we evolve.



## Aquatics GB

### Race to Recycle Programme

Aquatics GB have launched an initiative to recycle racing suits to support athletes and reinforce their commitment to sustainability.

Athletes can donate pre-loved racing suits at selected Aquatics GB events which are then recycled and redistributed to athletes who may otherwise struggle to afford them

For more information please use the following link: [Race to Recycle](#)

The eligibility criteria for applying for a pre loved race suit is here: [Eligibility](#)



### Swim England Strategy

Members may wish to view the Swim England Strategy, at its foundation are strong, guiding principles and 18 goals which set out our roadmap for the future.

[One Swim England | The Swim England Strategy](#)



### IMPORTANT - PLEASE NOTE: PERSONAL PROPERTY

Regrettably we have had an incident where a swimmer has had some of their belongings taken from a changing room, so please do remind your swimmers to look after their belongings

This is a reminder to all our members, to please leave valuables at home or leave with parents when in the pool.

When swimming at our pools and especially the public pools, please use lockers available and secure the lockers as, unfortunately, neither the pools nor the club cannot be responsible for any losses or damage to personal belongings.



### Monsoon OneTeam Hours

A gentle reminder that our OneTeam policy asks all families with a swimmer in a competitive squad to complete 6 hrs of volunteer time in a calendar year to avoid incurring the charge set out in the OneTeam Initiative.

Please don't forget to log your volunteering hours using the following link: [OneTeam](#)

If anyone is unsure how this scheme works please do get in touch with our [membership secretary](#)

## Upcoming Timetable Changes

No changes this week

## Easy Fundraising – [www.easyfundraising.co.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk)

We are always looking for ways to raise money for our club and this way is simple. Please follow the link below to register, every time you shop online/via the easy fundraising app a donation is made to Monson, whether it's a £5 purchase and we get 1p, or if you buy car insurance through compare the market and we get a £12.30 donation.

It doesn't cost you anymore than your purchase and the retailers, who range from Amazon, Ebay, Halfords, M & S and 100's more provide the donation.

### Easy Fundraising

Every person that registers via this link, Monson get a £5 so please share it around to aunts and uncles, grandparents etc it really does all make a huge difference to our club.

## CLUB CONTACTS

In order to streamline communication, please use the following email addresses.

## NEWSLETTER ITEMS

If you would like to add anything to the newsletter, please email [monsonnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:monsonnewsletter@gmail.com). Please ensure that any content is received by midday Thursday for inclusion in that week's newsletter

### For any coaching related queries:

Performance & Junior Performance -  
[Karen Bradbury](#)

Age Group 1 – [Richard Smith](#)

Age Group 2 - [Katie Bowman](#)

Age Group 3 - [Alex Counsell](#)

Development - [Della Clout](#)

Academy 1 & 2 - [Sarah Williams](#)

Youth Squad 1 - [Richard Smith](#)

Youth Squad 2 - [Vicky Turton](#)

Junior Squad - [Jan Annan](#)

Water Polo - [Tim Price](#)

### For any other queries

General Club enquiries - [Sueli Armada Bennett](#)

Membership - [Amanthi Tollit](#)

Billing & Finances – [Ala El-Kour](#)

Kit - TBC

Hats - [Rhodri Joyce](#)

Event Hats - [Kerryn Smith](#)

Officials - [Kate Elliott](#)

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